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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

VIA FACSIMILE NO. 571.273.8300

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Election of Species Requirement mailed December 29, 2005 for the above-captioned application, and which requires election between Species I, the "species" of claims 1 and 19, and Species II, the "species" of claims 13 and 20.

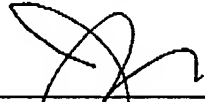
Applicants hereby elect Species I, the species of claims 1 and 19, with traverse.

The Election of Species Requirement does not establish how claim 1 is not generic to the claims of Species II. Indeed, the Requirement itself asserts that the claims of Species II add the step of impregnating with a friction additive after compression. This being the case, Species II is simply the generic process of Species I with an added step, and not an independent and distinct species.

This being the case, and as the Requirement from the Patent Office has itself tacitly acknowledged that claim 1 is generic to claims 13 and 20, the Election of Species Requirement should be withdrawn.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency attendant to the filing of this response to Deposit Account No. 21-0010.

Respectfully submitted,



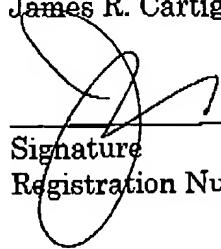
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